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Upcoming Events

Sept. 20

Nationally known speaker Gary Cohen will teach students proven techniques for increasing reading comprehension and speed as well as three rules for getting better grades. Event will take place in Alumni Hall from 12 to 2 p.m..

Sept. 23

Coffee night in CLO lobby, 3 to 8 p.m.

Sept. 24

Award-winning speaker Gary Tuerack uses humorous anecdotes and an interactive presentation style to accompany extensive research and interviews with some of the most highly-regarded people in America. Success secrets and captivating stories about the country's most famous people will be shared. This presentation is live via satellite in Gyte 115, 6 to 8 p.m.

PUC reacts to Iraq conflict

Students, faculty react to situation in Iraq

ESTEBAN GARCIA
Staff Writer

The potential war between the United States and Iraq is not being well met with Purdue faculty and students.

"If we invade [Iraq], then [Saddam Hussein] may get defensive and tempted to use weapons of mass destruction against Arab U.S. Allies, such as Israel and Jerusalem," Stephen Tallackson, an instructor and academic adviser in the department of history and political science, stated.

One of the main areas of confusion for students and some faculty about the situation is why exactly President Bush is considering military action

against Hussein. According to various media sources, the United States accuses Hussein of producing weapons of mass destruction, and as a result wants him out of power.

"President Bush indicates Iraq continues to make weapons, and because of that he is a threat to the rest of the world," Saul Learner, department head for the history and political science department, said.

"Hussein has the ability to make weapons and may be a sponsor to terrorism...[but] would he use weapons of mass destruction before we try to get him out of power? We're looking at Bush to make this clear," Tallackson said.

There are those, however, with dissenting opinions.

"This is all about oil and controlling the world's oil, plain and simple," Joe Buchler, a junior majoring in political science, stated. "Bush and his stooges want to invade Iraq for oil. And you can print that, because nobody else will."

Differences in opinion within the country aside, on the global scale, many countries disagree with Bush's actions as well.

"There are two different responses to the potential invasion," Tallackson stated. "Our

European allies—with the exception of Britain—are saying the United Nations need to approve any action before invasion. Arab allies are saying not to invade period. Either

way, anything that is done will inflame the middle east."

German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder stated in the past that German cooperation in an Iraqi attack would not happen, "at least not under my leadership." Germany's Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer stated "...military intervention [would] be highly risky and its consequences unclear, which is why we reject it."

"I don't blame other countries for not wanting to get involved. It's ridiculous to go back and focus on [Hussein] when we've left him alone for so long...unless it really is about oil," Melissa Novak, a sophomore majoring in elementary education, stated. "I guess we'll all just have to wait and see."

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a junior majoring in political science



Photo by Kristin Harkin

Officer Shannon moves the flag closer to the memorial plaque in front of the tree.

Memorial celebrates American strength

CHRISTOPHER JONES
Assistant News Editor

Chancellor Howard Cohen spoke of America's strength, values and democracy at a ceremony commemorating the events of Sept. 11, 2001, exactly one year after the attacks.

Cohen's speech was the beginning of a day's events that focused on last year's terrorist attacks. Cohen began by urging the audience of students and faculty to reflect on the meaning of the losses and how the country has responded to those losses. Then Cohen's speech focused on what he called the four virtues of American society—democracy, liberty, citizenship and tolerance.

The chancellor said, "(Sept. 11) was an important reminder of our commitment to the value of democracy."

Cohen spoke of the importance of balancing liberty and security in the wake of the added security initiated after the

attacks.

"If we pursue security without concern for liberty, our response to terrorism will sacrifice the core value we were trying to protect."

Cohen also spoke of education in his speech and said, "Education is a cornerstone of citizenship and one of the most important things we do at Purdue Calumet is develop educated citizens."

Lastly, the chancellor spoke of the need for tolerance and how Americans need to not categorize citizens based on their nationality or religion, especially Muslim Americans who do not condone terrorist activities.

"Part of the expression of our values includes the protection of (Muslim) individuals," Cohen stated.

The chancellor concluded by urging the audience to take the "opportunity to strengthen America." The speech was

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Campus forum revisits the terrorist attacks

TERRIE HENDERSON
Staff Writer

On Wednesday, Sept. 11, students, instructors and community members, gathered for the discussion "9/11 Revisited- The Terrorist Attack One Year Later" in the SFLC concourse. Saul Lerner, head of the Department of History and Political Science, opened by introducing the topics to be discussed and the professors who would lead the discussion.

"It is important for people to stay alive, humane and human," Dr. Lerner stated in his commencement. Richard Rupp and Val Martinez, political science professors who lead last year's forum after the terrorist attacks, spoke to the campus on the one year

anniversary of the event.

"It is one year and we have not been attacked again," Martinez said, who is a former member of the U.S. Department of State. He stated that the war on terrorism will go on for years, but (the U.S.) has a new clarity of purpose. (The U.S.) needs clarity of words to match clarity of purpose. Martinez also said, "President Bush will bring evidence to bear that he is right."

Richard Rupp began with a recollection of the past year. He reminded us that on Sept. 20, 2001 President Bush addressed the nation with these words, "Either you are with us or you are with the terrorists." He talked in depth about the economical, political and military power that the U.S. possesses. He pointed out how power-

ful the U.S. is and that the number two economy in the world is Japan and it is half the size of the U.S.. "We were attacked because of the way we are viewed in the world," Rupp said.

When the floor was opened for questions, many were concerned about an upcoming war with Iraq. Questions were raised about the U.S. going forward with a war and having no allies. One question focused on the outcome of a U.S. invasion in Iraq. If an invasion occurred, would it increase the chances of Iraq using weapons of mass destruction? The leaders of the forum agreed that question was one that should start a massive discussion in Washington right now.

Another question near the closing of the forum addressed

the issue of the U.S. needing U.N. approval to wage war with Iraq. Martinez replied, "(The U.S.) prefers to have U.N. approval but (the U.S.) will act without it. I do not think (the U.S.) needs U.N. approval to go to war with Iraq." He also stated, "(The U.S.) does need consenting authority (to go to war) within our own country."

Questions were raised concerning how long the war will go on and how expensive it will be. Another question focused on what (the U.S.) has done and should be doing to further educate the people, the students and campus.

The attendees of the discussion learned that a forum about the upcoming war in Iraq is planned. Those who are interested are welcome to attend.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

A high quality faculty is tied closely to student success

Last week, we held a news conference to announce the awarding of a prestigious research grant to Professor of Biology Charles Tseng and his consortium. That consortium includes three Purdue Calumet faculty colleagues as co-project investigators: Professor of Electrical Engineering Howard Gerber, Professor of Mechanical Engineering Chenn Zhou and Michael Gealt, molecular biologist and dean of the School of Engineering, Mathematics and Science.

The Purdue Calumet-led consortium is using the \$2.5 million Multidisciplinary University Research Initiative (MURI) grant, which was awarded by the U.S. Dept of Defense through the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, to study the effects of radio frequency fields on the function of human and bacterial genes.

As Prof. Tseng said: "Wireless technology is being used increasingly, but we do not know the total impact of radio frequency fields. With respect to military personnel who operate radar guns, missiles and other technological weapons, and civilians who use microwaves and cell phones, the Air Force wants to determine how safe this wireless technology is for users."

'Outstanding' scholars & teachers

Also, in recent days and weeks:

- ◆ Associate Professor of Nursing Lisa Hopp and Associate Professor of Mathematics Chris Rasmussen received Purdue Calumet Outstanding Faculty Awards for the 2001-02 academic year. *Professor Hopp, who uses a variety of innovative instructional strategies in her nursing courses, received the Outstanding Teacher Award. Prof. Rasmussen, who is applying a \$400,000+ Faculty Early Career Development Award he received from the National Science Foundation to study learning habits among undergraduate math students to promote learning, received the Outstanding Scholar Award.*
- ◆ Assistant Professor of Political Science Richard Rupp and Visiting Instructor in History Valentino Martinez provided plenty of expertise and insight in international politics, military security issues and terrorist activities as the key speakers at a mid-day forum during last week's 9/11 campus observance. In the weeks to come, Professors Rupp and Martinez indicated, other campus forums will be held to increase awareness and understanding of other important international issues.

Benefit to students

These examples just scratch the surface of the broad and significant expertise and capabilities our faculty members bring to their classrooms and laboratories. As a result, ultimately, our students benefit.

Chancellor Cohen echoed that point in responding to the award Prof. Tseng and his consortium received.

"Though the award places Purdue Calumet on the same footing as some of the most respected research institutions in our nation," he said, "perhaps even more importantly, it reinforces the fact that our students are being taught by high quality faculty who are respected and recognized in their fields."

In Purdue Calumet's ongoing commitment to student success, that point cannot be overstated.

What's goin' on?

A look around campus

PUC soccer club seeks members for fall season

The PUC soccer club is holding a call-out meeting on Monday, Sept. 16 at 7 p.m. and on Tuesday Sept. 17 at 3 p.m. in PER building 129 and can be contacted at 989-2540.

NSBE is sponsoring a seminar with Kraft Foods

The National Society of Black Engineers is sponsoring a presentation titled Kraft Foods "Keys to Success". Kraft will be accepting resumes for possible internships/employment opportunities. The presentation will be held in SFLC 321 on Sept. 25 from noon to 1 p.m. To sign up contact The Center for Career & Leadership Development in SFLC 349 or at 989-2419.

Kung Fu to be instructed at PER building

A Wing Chun-Kung Fu class will be taught by Matthew Johnson, who has more than 10 years experience, on Tuesday, Sept 24 at 7 p.m. at the PER building. Classes will be forming soon after this initial class. For information call Mike Flannery at 989-2384.

Student Programming Board seeks members

The SPB is seeking members who are able to attend weekly Friday meetings at 10 a.m., are willing to serve on one internal committee (public relations, student activities, arts & humanities, etc.) and who would be willing to bring new ideas to the SPB table. Those interested should e-mail Christine Marilyn Parry, the vice-president of SPB, at vofprogramming@yahoo.com for more information.

Haven House holds workshop on domestic violence

Haven House, Inc. is sponsoring a free workshop on Wednesday, Oct. 2. Immigration laws pertaining to domestic violence clients and outreach services for immigration candidates will be discussed by keynote speaker Lawrence Sharp, the executive director of the international institute. The workshop will take place at 824 Hoffman Ave., Hammond, Ind.

46327. Those planning to attend should call 931-2090.

Off campus housing for rent

Those looking for off-campus housing can contact Mr. or Mrs. Crawford at 937-4722.

The Chronicle seeks staff in all departments

Join the largest student organization on campus. Meet new people and have fun! The Chronicle is currently seeking writers, photographers, editors, copy editors, page designers, web designers, advertising reps, business department, promotions department and human resources department. Pick up an application in SFLC 344-H or call 989-2547.

Students can read for cash

Student Support Services is hiring readers for the fall 2002 semester. If you are interested in learning more about reading for cash see Mindy in the SFLC 343 for more details.

SPB seeks bands to play in charity concert

The Student Programming board is looking for bands to play in this year's "Music for the Masses" charity concert, to be held Friday, October 11. Anyone interested in signing up to play can contact The Student Programming Board at 989-2394 and ask for Jade Lee or Christine.

International Research, NW World Trade Council hosts membership drive

A membership drive will be launched at a joint brown bag luncheon meeting of the Center for International Research and Education and the Purdue University Calumet Chapter of the Northwest Indiana World Trade Council on Wednesday, Sept. 18, 11:30 a.m., in Anderson Room-311. Students will be invited to participate in the Lake Region International Conference and Exhibition on Friday, Nov. 8, at the university's conference center.

SAY WHAT?

"Whenever you hear a man speak of his love for his country, it is a sign that he expects to be paid for it."

-H.L. Mencken
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SHRM wins merit award for second year

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Senior Staff Writer

The PUC student chapter of the Society for Human Resource Management has earned the Superior Merit Award for the second year in a row. The organization received this award for the 2000-2001 school year, and has earned this recognition once again for the 2001-2002 year.

This award is presented by SHRM to student chapters that excel in four particular areas. These areas include the professional development of its members, the professional operations of the chapter, the support of the profession, as well as their partnership with SHRM. In order to qualify for this award, the student chapter must submit a binder to SHRM containing information about the various activities the organization has participated in throughout the year. A point system is used to assign values in

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Kerry Shipe,
president of SHRM

each of the four areas previously mentioned. SHRM later recognizes the chapters that meet the numerical criteria.

John Lucas, adviser to the SHRM chapter, spoke of the significance of a commuter college such as Purdue University Calumet earning this award.

"It's quite an achievement to get the highest distinction in your field. It brings credibility and professionalism to our Human Resource program."

Lucas also said that PUC is the only college in Northwest Indiana to have a student chapter of SHRM.

The members of the group

participated in many services and activities throughout the year, enabling them to earn such recognition. For example, the organization held resume workshops, job visit programs and established a human resource scholarship. Chapter members attended SHRM local, state and national conferences as well as bi-weekly meetings to discuss human resource topics with a guest speaker. The organization was actively involved in community service by working in soup kitchens, among other services.

Kerry Shipe, president of the SHRM student chapter, credits the teamwork of the group for reaching this accomplishment.

"Our members worked together to get things done. The officers also put in extra effort."

Lucas also acknowledges the effort put forth by the group.

"I am very proud of the group and of the leadership of the group."



Photo provided by Kerry Shipe

The Society for Human Resource Management was awarded the Superior Merit Award for 2001-2002.

Shipe said that outside support for the organization has contributed to the organization's achievements.

"We have the support of the Northwest Indiana SHRM liaison, Kim Potter. A lot of support

came from Dr. Lucas and other HR professors," Shipe said.

For more information about the student chapter of SHRM at PUC, contact Shipe at pucshrm-pres@yahoo.com, or visit the SHRM office in SFLC-344 C.

Student login changes yet again

■ System attempts to protect privacy by not using social security numbers.

EMMALENA COLON
Staff Writer

With this new year, we have a new login for the computers. "Smithj1.s.students," this is how each student at PUC must log in to the computers. After typing in the new login just to use the computers, many students are expecting to see how many messages are in their inbox.

The new student login for the computers is a little long, but doesn't surpass the previous one by much. Last year, the login was the first and last initials with the last six digits of a student's social security number followed by the a period and the first initial, sj000000.s.

Dr. Douglas Sharp, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Information and Instructional Technology, said, "The reason for the change is so students could feel more secure about logging in and not having to use their social security number." For many students, the change

"This new login system is quite more complicated than last year's, I feel like I might as well be signing into my e-mail."

Kishwa Milliner,
a junior majoring in
industrial psychology

is actually better because the risk of a person's social security number being recognized by others is now lower. That sort of confidentiality is important to students and the change is appreciated by most.

Fadi Abu El-Edam a junior majoring in CIS, said, "I think the new login is better because it is comforting to know that my social security number isn't being made public."

This login is also used in Blackboard and the campus e-mail. The login has only been changed two times here at PUC and the staff in the main lab has always helped the students with logging in. The login was changed to the one we had last year in 1997 because the first one was so simple that high

school students were coming in and using the computers, leaving no room for PUC students. Last year, there were postings by each computer that would tell students how to login. Dr. Sharp did state, however, that there would be some posted soon. For now, students can find out how to login by asking anyone in the main computer lab.

Not every student agrees that the new login is better. There are a few students who believe that there was nothing wrong with the previous login.

Kishwa Milliner, a junior majoring in industrial psychology, said, "This new login system is quite more complicated than last year's, I feel like I might as well be signing into my e-mail."

Other students also questioned why the entire login was not printed on the form that was sent out to students weeks ago. Dr. Doug Sharp explained that he didn't want the form to be complicated and confuse any students. Despite the fact that the login is now slightly longer than last year's, there are many people who will agree that it is much more safer and secure than using a social security number.



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Tuesday, September 3, 1:05 p.m. Driver advised they heard someone yell at them when they turned their head then swerved off the road and struck the building. No reported injuries.

Tuesday, September 3, 1:20 p.m. While a driver was parking their vehicle, their foot slipped off the clutch causing the vehicle to jump forward and stuck the west end of the carport.

Tuesday, September 3, 6:45 p.m. A person twisted their ankle while moving out of the way of another subject. No medical follow-up requested.

Wednesday, September 4, 4:00 p.m. It has been reported that someone has been using university computers to relay e-mail without authorization.

The Student Programming Board presents...

Campus Events

Wednesday, September 18, 1:00 p.m.

Win, Lose or Draw

Hosted by Anthony Nichols

Two teams of three (three men and three women) compete for the chance to split a \$75 Borders gift card prize.

Runners-up will split a \$30 Borders gift card prize.

SFLC TV Room (C-100)

Monday, October 9, 1:00 p.m.

Match Game 2002

Hosted by Anthony Nichols

SFLC TV Room (C-100)

Wednesday, November 13, 1:00 p.m.

Family Feud

Hosted by Anthony Nichols

SFLC TV Room (C-100)

Thursday, September 19, 6:45 p.m.

&

Wednesday, September 25, 12:45 p.m.

Coffee and Verse

Hosted by Jade Lee Culberson

Founder's Study (C-301)

Stay tuned!

More events to be announced

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Rapid solutions are needed

The anniversary of Sept. 11 has many Americans rethinking their way of life, specifically their personal security in this country. The occasion also reminds us that the United States is still at war against terrorism on a worldwide level. The horrific events of Sept. 11, which were deliberate attempts to interrupt the American way of life, drove the United States to take immediate action against terrorists. Many people, however, are questioning the effectiveness of this war and why President Bush is now making an appeal to wage war against Iraq.

Last Thursday, Bush asked the United Nations to take a stand for security.

Bush said Saddam Hussein has been "defying" U.N. weapons inspections for the past decade. Vice President Cheney said, according to unspecified intelligence reports, a tube Hussein needs in order to produce a nuclear weapon was intercepted "through a known channel." Bush wants the United Nations to take action and demand Hussein to turn over all weapons of mass destruction.

Hussein also ordered the killing of civilians between the ages of 15 and 70 in Northern Iraq and gassed 40 Iraqi villages. Reports published in March state that Hussein paid the families of dead Palestinian suicide bombers \$25,000 in U.S. money, influencing others to volunteer for martyrdom in the name of their people. Hussein also provides terrorist groups with free education and housing.

Even with this evidence against Hussein, some still wonder why Bush is pushing toward war with Iraq. Some think there is more to it than the fact that he supports terrorism. One prevalent notion is that the Bush administration wants to control the oil industry and protect people in the energy and oil businesses. Some suspect oil is the reason why the United States has been in conflict with Hussein for more than a decade. If the problem is oil, there are other energy sources that are solutions to this problem. Why don't we implement the other forms of energy? Why is government protecting the energy business instead of putting forth the effort to implement energy solutions?

There are other countries and dictators who support terrorism; why are we focused on Iraq? Hussein has been compared to Hitler. Some say fighting against Hussein is different than fighting against Hitler because of the possibility of nuclear war. In relation to murder, Hussein is responsible for the blood shed of many of his own people just as Hitler. So are many other dictators around the world, but we are not focused on them.

Again, is there something more than just terrorism? Coming back to the notion of oil, if it is a matter of preventing nuclear war, we should find a solution to stop this. We should make an effort to implement alternative energy solutions immediately for the sake of humanity despite economic consequences. We know that if we have any war, in general, we will have a great loss of life. How many more lives will we lose if we have a nuclear war? It is futile and ineffective if the world were to engage in a nuclear war, or any war overall, if it easily could have been prevented by being progressive and finding a solution to this problem. Have courage to be progressive instead of aggressive.

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Letter to the Editor

I observed several cars parked in the grass Sept. 10 and Sept. 12 around the same time I received my ticket Sept. 3, 2002, when I was parked in the same spot. The campus police rushed over to my car to ticket me around 11:10 a.m. When I returned to campus, I noticed that these cars that were still there were not ticketed.

What a strange thing, that I would be ticketed the week before, and now all of a sudden this "no parking zone" that is not marked in any way to make a student think it is a no parking zone, is now open for student parking.

The fact of the matter is, if the campus police want to ticket students who are just trying to get an education at a school that does not have sufficient parking, and ticket students who park in a "no parking zone," then the police should ticket everyone. They should not ticket all students who park in a specific place during the first two weeks of classes, and then not ticket students who are parked in the same spot coincidentally after the student newspaper brings the campus police and parking situation under scrutiny.

If it takes an article with reactions from frustrated students in the student newspaper to make the campus police realize what they already should have known about the parking situation, then that is great. At least now they understand the obvious, which is that parking is low during certain times at PUC. But now that they have apparently realized this, all of the people that were ticketed in the same area I was parked in should be refunded their money, or not have to pay at all. It's the fair thing to do.

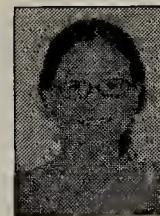
Also, I would like to say that I will be providing the student newspaper with a copy of this letter, and I will keep them updated on the situation. I think all of the students that were parked in this area are entitled to a full refund. That is \$10 that we probably all need right about now, after paying our increased tuition and book fees.

Sincerely,
Angela Pinta



The People Speak

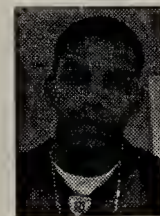
Question of the Week: Do you feel as though there is more to the proposed war on Iraq than the connection with terrorists on September 11?



Lauren Leonard

Sophomore, Education

"I would like to believe there is nothing going on, but I would not doubt it."



Soope Miles

Junior, CIS

"What ever the issues are, as a result there will be massive loss of life."



Kishwa Milliner

Junior, Industrial Psychology

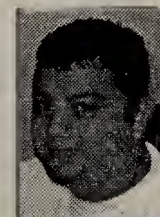
"If our armed forces are planning a complete confidential attack, then they are on the right track."



Alex Carter

Freshman, Communication

"I think Bush has more knowledge than what he is telling people."



Henry Pimentel

Senior, Secondary Education

"I think there is more to it than just 9/11. The US is using it to get people behind it to go after Sudam Hussein. It's unfinished business."



Kenny Moody

Senior, Communication

"After attending the forum I understand it better, before I didn't know."

Does something really
Write a story
and



Photo by Kristin Harkin

Susan Ruiz, student body president, helped take the stars down in the SFLC concourse. "We will never forget."

Memorial

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immediately followed by a moment of silence, which ended when the group spontaneously recited the Pledge of Allegiance. After the speech, four PUC advisory committees—the Administration Professional Staff Advisory Committee, the Clerical Service Staff Advisory Committee, the student government and the faculty senate—took down the memorial wall above the SFLC staircase to be archived in the library. During the removal of the memorial wall, the crowd sang along with Lee Greenwood's "God Bless the U.S.A."

After the wall was removed an oak tree was planted on the south end of the SFLC building and was commemorated by student government president Susan Ruiz.

"We felt as if we needed a way for us as students to mark a time in history, here on our campus, that we never will forget. The planting of an oak tree signifies the strength we exhibited as we pulled together during that horrendous time a year ago, but it also is a symbol of the growth we experienced as a group of people trying to understand why the events of Sept. 11 happened," Ruiz said.

Those involved with the cere-

mony thought that the chancellor's speech and the memorial went well.

"(It was) an appropriate ceremony that brought the campus together. The chancellor's message was of strength, tolerance and democracy and really inspired people," Leticia Toma, director of alumni relations, said.

Amy Farris, chairman of CSSAC, agreed that the ceremony went "incredibly well and had a very good turnout." Farris was also impressed with the participation from faculty, students and staff.

Chancellor Cohen said that he was "pleased, impressed and touched" by the turnout.



Photo by Amy L. Aurelio

Members of the crowd sing "God Bless America," and shed tears at the conclusion of the memorial on Wednesday, September 11.



Photo by Kristin Harkin

Members of SGA, CCSAC, APSAC and Faculty Senate help plant the tree in front of the SFLC building.



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Few are those who are worthy of my company. I'm very selective of my sidekicks and as such, I spend an inordinate amount of time alone. One of the only things that keep me from going mad as a result of lack of human contact is a movie. I love movies and I have seen quite a bit of them. Some have been rather enjoyable—"Star Trek 2: The Wrath of Kahn" comes to mind, as that is what's playing in the background as I speak. Other movies have just been God-awful—"Titanic," for instance. The only reason I cried as I watched that movie is because that was 3 hours of my life I'll never get back and I actually paid money to view it.

And then there are those cinematic gems that are hybrids of the two categories, movies that are so bad they're good. And as there is not much to do in the Northwest Indiana region except see movies and drink coffee and stuff, I give to you—because I love you—a list of the best "bad" movies I've seen in my day. These movies are a pleasant distraction of the grind of school, work, and life in general; they are entertaining and will liven any humdrum evening or party. Take a deep breath, relax,



"Hell comes to Frogtown"

and let me know if it hurts too much. Here we go.

■ **"Death Wish 3,"** starring Charles Bronson. With "music" by Jimmy Page (yes, that Jimmy Page) and defining quote: "Your wife has...expired!" How can you pass it up?

■ **"Troll 2."** Nobody of note is in this, and good for them. Defining Quote: "'Nilbog' is 'goblin' spelled backwards!"

■ **"Mazes and Monsters."** One of Tom Hanks' early movies and finest performances. Really. "It's a coin of everlasting return!" No Mr. Hanks, this movie is a piece of everlasting crap.

■ **"Nail Gun Massacre."** If you don't figure out who the killer is in the first five minutes of this movie, I don't know how you got into college.

■ **"Lair of the White Worm."** Bram Stoker wrote the story this movie comes from as he

was going mad from Bright's disease. If that doesn't make you want to get it, you're probably dead.

■ **"The Hills Have Eyes."** Defining quote: "Mars!" "What?" "Kill the baby!" Dee Wallace Stone in a movie by the guy that would go on to create Freddy Krueger? Sign me up!

■ **"Hell Comes to Frogtown."** "Rowdy" Roddy Piper on a mission to find fertile women and impregnate them. Oh, and there's frogs being killed too. Real frogs, not the French that is.

■ **"Angel."** No, this has nothing to do with Buffy, loser. 15-year old honor student by day, prostitute by night. Even better: there are 2 sequels to it. Huzzah!

And finally...

■ **"Anything with Bruce Campbell in it."** You've seen him before I'm sure. His movies are classics and would make the greatest DVD box set ever. Highlights include: "Evil Dead," "Maniac Cop," "Waxwork 2: Lost in Time," and "Tornado!"

Of course I could go on, but I have to go to work. I'm a busy guy, you know. And what exactly was the point of this, you ask? The point is: If it's yellow let it mellow; if it's brown, flush it down.

'Recover'-ing rock

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Have you ever sung in the shower? Do you go to bed at night with dreams of being a rock star? That's how it all started for four average guys from Austin, Texas. Dan Keyes, Robert Mann, Jimmy Vela, and Ross Tweedy formed a band known as "Recover" when they were only in middle school. Inspired by classic rock as well as new bands such as, Jimmy Eat World, they bring a refreshing face, four actually, to the ever-evolving rock scene.

All four of the band members had grown up and learned to play their instruments together. Lucky for us, their dedication to the music and their friendship stood the test of time.

Recently, Recover wrapped up a national tour with Jimmy Eat World. "This tour is definitely the biggest tour we've ever done so far, it was amazing. The guys (from Jimmy Eat World) are the coolest guys ever," said drummer, Jimmy Vela, "There really were no low points. Touring is our life, and even though we don't have time for much of a personal life, it's

what we live for."

I attended that concert and let me say, they rocked! Not only was the show energetic, but also they really made it feel as if though they were singing directly to you. After the show, (which was held at the Riviera) all four of the guys spent over an hour walking outside the venue and talking to fans as well as signing autographs.



Recover

They hope that this constant close contact will help draw in a wider fan base. Their next move? Another national tour, this time with Midtown and the release of their newest EP "Neci C'est Pas Recover."

Recover, French for "This is Not Recover."

The album, which features five brand new songs, is available at Barnesandnoble.com. While you're there, don't forget to look up their first album "Rodeo and Picasso." My personal thoughts on the EP is this. If you like classic hard rock bands, but also are into modern alternative, this is the album for you. Recover provides an enjoyable blend of the two with their own unique twist. Think Linkin Park minus the hip-hop and add

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'Undisputed' loses its grip

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Staff Writer

You've seen the previews for "Undisputed," I'm sure. And from those previews you've gathered that the movie has Ving Rhames ("Pulp Fiction") and Wesley Snipes ("Blade 2") in it, as well as "Master P" (some rapper, I guess) and Ed Lover (of "Yo! MTV Raps" fame). You may have also gathered that it's about guys in prison boxing. If not, shame on you; you shouldn't be here in school.

The plot is simple enough: Snipes is in prison for killing a person in self-defense (Think "Con Air," albeit less developed), and Rhames is in for raping a showgirl (think Mike Tyson). Snipes is a prison boxing champion. Rhames is a free world boxing champion. They're in prison together. You figure out the rest. It's not hard, trust me.

Maybe I'm being unfair. But damn it, the plot is so thin and weak it's almost insulting. The editing of the main characters' backgrounds is so uneven and oddly placed that they become an annoyance. Unlike "Memento," this movie should have started from the beginning-Snipes killing some guy (which is neither fully explained nor emotionally engaging), then Rhames rising to the championship, what really happened with the whole rape thing, Rhames going to jail, et cetera et cetera. While I suppose it doesn't much matter-inevitably Rhames and Snipes are going to fight (and they do, sorry to spoil it)-the whole movement of the story is jumpy and bothersome and may cause seizures. You've been warned.

There are two redeeming

"Undisputed"
Ving Rhames,
Wesley Snipes
★ 1/2

qualities to the movie. One is that Snipes doesn't talk any more than he has to. While not a bad actor, he tries for this Barry White-cum-frog-in-the-throat menacing voice that's much better left out. The other good thing about the movie is the climactic fight scene. I'm a man. I can admit to being emotionally engaged while seeing Rhames and Snipes beat each other around. But that's the gist of it. It's not a bad movie but there have been much, much better boxing movies. Like "Tokyo Fist." If you dig boxing movies, do yourself a violent, bloody favor and hunt down a copy. Watch it with someone you love.

Ah, but lose sight of my original purpose, and that is talking about "Undisputed." Sorry about that. It's just that...well, there's not much else to say. Um, the dialogue's not that great...oh! I know! Michael Rooker is in it! Yeah! You know, Henry from "Henry: Portrait of a Serial Killer." But he doesn't do much...actually, a lot of the supporting actors don't do much, yet they get mentioned in the trailer. "Master P" and Ed Lover get as much screen time as I did as an extra in "My Best Friend's Wedding." They don't do much and unless you know who they are and care, you won't notice them. Peter Falk is in it too. You know...Colombo. He shuffles around and grumbles a lot and sets up the fight between Snipes

and Rhames.

Look, I know I'm scraping the bottom of the barrel here, but like I said, it's not much of a movie. It's a nice distraction, sure, and heaven forbid it be a thinking person's movie. It's entertainment. It's boxing. It's "Blade" and "Colombo" and "Marcellus Wallace" (Pulp Fiction character). If you find six bucks while walking down the street and have already eaten, go see it. It's not too bad, but bear in mind its not too good either. Now "Tokyo Fist," on the other hand...



Ving Rhames (left) and Wesley Snipes go neck and neck in "Undisputed."

Recover

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a lot more attitude.

Most bands nowadays seem to almost sell out to the pop scene, but don't expect Recover to do that.

"Eventually we would like to explore different kinds of music, but for right now we're focused

on being a great rock band. Hopefully we'll be successful and the world will rock with us."

If you've been looking for a cure for the common rock band, Recover just may be your answer. Go out and see the show and I'm sure you'll be convinced. Until then, keep on rockin'.

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Remembering Johnny U



FRANK SPRANKLE
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On March 29, 1984, moving trucks in the middle of the night, transported the Colts from Baltimore to Indianapolis, making a heartland Midwestern city a new home for an NFL franchise, and leaving an east coast city just plain heart broken.

But through it all, there was one man who wanted his stats removed from the Colts record. With all due respect to Indianapolis, he never played there he played in Baltimore. That man was Johnny Unitas, one of the greatest quarterbacks to ever step on to the gridiron, possibly the greatest of them all.

Last Wednesday, as American was reflecting on the one-year anniversary of the worst attacks on U.S. soil, Unitas died of a heart attack at the age of 69.

Truly, Johnny U bled the blue and white blood of the Baltimore Colts. There are some who credit him for inventing the "2-minute drill." In his fourth season with the Colts, Unitas would seek his defining moment. On December 28, 1958, the Colts and the New York Giants squared off in Yankee Stadium for the NFL Championship. In front of a packed house and a nationwide television audience, the Giants held to a four point lead with under 2 minutes remaining. But Unitas capped off a drive that forced a tying field goal. The game became the first NFL championship to go into overtime. In OT, and starting the drive from the Colts 20, Unitas completed a couple of passes from third and long situations. Once inside the red zone, the Colts were able to win the game when fullback Alan Ameche ran in a 1-yard touchdown, as Baltimore had an NFL championship, winning 23-17. They would repeat the following year, again against the Giants.

A decade later, Unitas would participate in another game that changed the course of pro football forever. In Super Bowl III, the New York Jets, then of the AFL, had a 13-0 lead, until the veteran Unitas stepped-in. Even though he threw for one touchdown, Joe Namath had promised that he and the Jets would win the game, and thus they did 16-7, giving the AFL the respect he so desired.

Unitas played 19 seasons in the NFL, ending his career with San Diego Chargers in 1973. He was elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1979.

Yoga classes come to PUC

FRANK SPRANKLE
Managing Editor

Everyone suffers from stress once in a while. It's perfectly normal to handle a lot on a daily basis. For PUC students, they have the task of going through classes that can take a toll when it comes to preparing for an exam or organizing a project. Then again, some students hold jobs too.

Whatever the case, people try to relieve stress. Besides standard exercise, yoga can become one way of relaxing the body. In addition to providing relaxation physically, it serves a purpose mentally.

Yoga is defined as an eight-fold way of balancing the body, mind, and spirit; using poses, breath, and relaxation meditation.

"People take yoga for relieving stress, it's also wonderful for physical limitations like blood pressure," Joanna Sypudt said.

Sypudt, a certified instructor for Temple Kriya Yoga out of Chicago, most recently brought twenty years of experience to PUC. She has been teaching for the past three years, most notably at Omni 41 in Schererville and Dr. Nancy's Studio in Flossmoor.

Now at PUC, Sypudt is

involved in teaching two yoga classes. One class is a full semester for PUC students, for credit. The other class is open to anyone for a fee.

On Tuesdays and Thursdays, Sypudt conducts a class that runs for an hour.

Last Tuesday, the class that's open to the general public got underway. It will run until December 5.

Only three people participated in the first session, but that number will certainly increase as the weeks progress.

"My intention (for the yoga classes) is that everyone will find joy in the rest of the day. When they leave this class, they will feel better about themselves emotionally and spiritually," Sypudt said.

Sypudt got involved in yoga after suffering an injury; she even credits it to saving her life. She even turned down a high paying career just to teach yoga.

"She has got good experience and knows what she is doing. I think I will learn a lot for her," Judy Hartz-Sweeko said, who is the business manager for academic affairs for PUC. Hartz-Sweeko took yoga last spring. Currently, she's taking it to relieve stress.

"I want to learn how to do it (yoga) right. I would rather do it



Photo by Skye Holman

An attendant of Joanna Sypudt's yoga class tries to relax and clear her mind. The yoga class is opened to anyone for a fee.

with someone else than myself."

Anyone can take advantage of these yoga classes, for it's open to anyone from PUC students and faculty, to people from the community.

The cost ranges from five dollars per class for PUC stu-

dents, faculty, and TFC members, to \$24 for a month's worth of classes. The cost varies for the general public.

"A little bit of yoga can go a long way," Sypudt said.

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